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> RE: **EPD** Response to Comments

Georgia Pacific Wood Products LLC Warm Springs Georgia Plywood Division

NPDES Permit No. GA0024813

Dear Ms. Diaz:

Thank you for your comments regarding the permit issuance for the Georgia Pacific Wood Products LLC - Warm Springs Georgia Plywood Division. Attached is a summary of comments from the public and our responses to the issue raised. In addition, we have attached the Permit Addendum and Permit Rational Addendum documenting the changes made to the attached permit. We appreciate your interest in this matter.

After consideration of your comments, EPD has determined that the permit is protective of water quality standards and we have issued the permit.

If you have any questions, please contact Ian McDowell of my staff at 404-232-1567.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Larson, Manager

Wastewater Regulatory Program Watershed Protection Branch

JL/IM Attachment

Public Comments and EPD Responses on Draft NPDES Permit Georgia-Pacific Wood Products LLC – Warm Springs Georgia Plywood Division – Permit No. GA0024813

COMMENTS RECEIVED	EPD RESPONSE
For outfalls 003 and 004, the permit should state how flow will be estimated.	For outfall 003 the following language was added as a footnote: "Flow shall be estimated by determining the water depth over the V-Notch Weir and converting depth to flow using a conversion table based on weir shape characteristics."
	For outfall 004 the following language was added as a footnote: "Flow shall be estimated by an Area x Velocity calculation."
Outfall 004 is an emergency overflow; therefore, the monitoring frequency should be based on "once/discharge event" rather than twice/month.	The measurement frequency for outfall 004 was changed to "Daily when Discharging."
Also, the permit should state what constitutes an emergency discharge event. For instance, what rainfall event" – 100 year storm event?	The following language was added as a footnote: "This discharge point shall consist of emergency overflows and bypasses from the wet deck log storage facility and there shall be no discharge of debris. There shall be no discharge from this outfall except when necessary due to equipment or power failures, excessive rainfall, accidents or other emergencies, necessary maintenance or construction activities, and other special circumstances approved by the Environmental Protection Division."